

Magnolia white scale (*Pseudalacaspis cockerelli*)

- ❑ Intercepted in shipments from HI & FL; occasionally found in LA nurseries.
- ❑ Hosts: Polyphagous; found on various palms and foliage.
 - Some common hosts are: Bird of paradise (*Strelitzia*); Ti (*Cordyline terminalis*); Ginger; La Lot; Poke; *Protea*; Bamboo; Betel; Queen palm (*Syagrus romanzoffianum*); Sago palm (*Cycas revoluta*); Coconut palm (*Cocus nucifera*); Malongai; Bromeliads (*i.e.* Pineapple); Areca palm (*Dypsis lutescens*); Kentia palm (*Howea*); Lady palm (*Rhapis*); *Ficus*; Mango; Taro; *Gardenia*.
- ❑ Field ID: Adult female 2-3 mm long, with pyriform **snow-white** cover; body yellowish-orange, **with an apical cleft**. Immature male scale cover white, elongated and **slightly tricarinate**.



Slightly
tricarinate
immature male
scale



Adult female with cover



Female body
(cover removed)